

February 8

2 Chronicles 7:14

**“IF
My People...”**



**If my people, which are
called by my name, shall
humble themselves, and
pray, and seek my face,
and turn from their
wicked ways; then will I
hear from heaven, and
will forgive their sin, and
will heal their land.**

**Contemplate,
Meditate,
Research, Pray.**

“IF”.

Some have called the word “IF” the biggest little word ever. With “IF” there is always a condition required to reach the objective.

“IF” is usually followed by “then”. What happens if the “IF” never occurs?

“My People”.

Who are God’s people?
Biological Jews?
Orthodox Jews?

Christians?
Specific denominations?
Anyone who categorizes
themselves as “Spiritual”?
Every human, regardless to
religious or spiritual
affiliation, as long as they
believe in “a higher power”?
Every human of every faith
and also of no faith?

**“Which are Called
by My Name”.**

What is that name? Is it
a proper name or does

“name” actually mean a title, such as LORD? Is there more than one name, depending on one’s particular faith?

“Shall Humble Themselves”.

What does a humbled people look like? What would they do to show humility to God’s satisfaction?

“Pray”.

Is that individual prayer or collective prayer? What

should God's people pray?
How long? How often? By
one's bedside? In a garden?
Why do some people, even in
churches, hold hands during
prayer? Does that practice
have any biblical basis or is
it pagan-like? Who said to
close one's eyes and bow
one's head to pray? What
does God-honored prayer
really mean?

“Seek My Face”.

What does this mean? Is it to try
to find out what God looked like

or to imagine a picture of Jesus? Is it to pursue God's will or approval?

“Turn From Their Wicked Ways”.

Can wicked people who only know wickedness turn from that wickedness? Does the request imply the people know better but refuse to do better?

“Then Will I Hear From Heaven”.

Is God in heaven? Where

is heaven?
Does God not hear the
prayers of his people
when certain conditions
are not met?

“Forgive Their Sin”.

Will God really excuse
wrongdoing?

What if his people keep
sinning, will he keep
forgiving? What if they
don't forgive others, will
he forgive them as long
as they pray?

“Heal Their Land”.

In what way is land sick?

Is it talking
about crop failures?

Is it crime and
corruption? Is it referring
to earthquakes, volcanoes,
and other “natural”
disasters? Does “land”
refer to the landscape
of their lives, such as
one’s business or financial
matters or personal
relationships or even
physical health?

Does this passage speak
to present-day Believers,
or is it specifically for those
people of that time and
is merely recorded for
historical purposes?